## **MINUTES**

# CITY OF EDINA MINNESOTA ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION

# **EDINA CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM**

Thursday September 13, 2012 7:05 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER 7:05p.m.
- II. ROLL CALL Answering Roll Call was Brandt, Heer, Kostuch, Latham, Sokol, Thompson, Zarrin, and Chair Sierks
  Absent: Gubrud, Risser, and Rudnicki

Staff Present: Ross Bintner and Rebecca Foster

#### III. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion made by Member Latham and seconded by Member Thompson to approve the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

# IV. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

Motion made by Member Latham and seconded by Member Zarrin to approve the Minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Attendance report and roster. No Report.
- C. Workgroup list and minutes. Member Latham requested the Turf Management Plan and the Park Recycling Bin Task Forces be removed from the Working Group and Minute lists due to completion. Member Latham requested resigned Member Germana Paterlini be removed from the Purchasing Working Group and the Carbon Disclosure Project Committee too.

Motion made by Member Latham and seconded by Member Kostuch to approve the changes to the Working Group and Minute lists. Motion carried unanimously.

#### V. COMMUNITY COMMENT. No Comments.

#### VI. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Work Plan Development
  - 1. Approve workplan recommendation to Council. Chair Sierks reviewed the 2013 Work Plan for approval.

Motion made by Member Heer and seconded by Member Latham to approve the 2013 Work Plan with changes discussed. Member Zarrin voted Nay. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Recycling & Solid Waste WG
  - 1. Chair update. Member Latham gave an update on the Rock Tenn tour. Randy's will be the next tour to review the Blue Bag for organics. RSW asked for medicine recycling through the Edina Police Dept and now Hennepin County has volunteered to do it. Member Latham said Solvei Wilmot, Recycling

Coordinator, has received calls asking if the new single sort bin fits in the garage. She's following up with Haulers on their solid waste reports per city ordinance and organizing organic recycling at City Facilities too.

## C. Air and Water Quality WG

1. Chair update. Member Latham said the City received a letter from Take Back the Air, a Minnesota-based environmental group, to review what actions might be taken to require Edina to prohibit recreational wood burning. The EEC will wait for a response from City Council if action needs to be taken by them. Member Thompson said to look for the Public Hearing date for Wellhead Protection Plan to comment on it.

## D. Energy WG

1. Chair update. August meeting was cancelled.

#### E. Education Outreach WG

 Chair update. The August and September meetings were combined. Member Thompson announced the CERTS Solar Workshop will possibly be held on November 15<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. The Edina Inner Faith Power Light group is expanding well. Edina Go Green will show the Bag It movie on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Member Thompson asked the student members if they were interested in connecting with Project Earth at the high school.

#### VII. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

- A. Sub commission Structure & EEC work plan item volunteer interest. Chair Sierks reviewed the current Working Groups and assigned the appropriate group per the proposed 2013 Work Plan.
  - 1. City Staff & Energy WG
  - 2. Urban Forest Task Force
  - 3. Education & Outreach WG and Energy WG
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  - 5. Energy WG
  - 6. Water Quality WG
  - 7. Recycling Solid Waste WG

# VIII. CHAIR AND COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS. No Report.

# IX. STAFF COMMENTS

A. B3 System Review. Mr. Bintner presented the 3yrs of data about City Facilities energy use within the B3 System. Chair Sierks said the B3 Data would be a good topic to present at the January Televised EEC meeting. Mr. Bintner will present the revisions to the PACE Program at the October meeting for the EEC to review.

Chair Sierks requested staff to present an updated EEC line item budget at the October meeting. Chair Sierks requested staff to give a presentation on the new Edina website when it's completed. Members voiced concern about the branding of Edina Go Green and the new Go Green Edina website. Chair Sierks discussed the possible cancelation of the December EEC meeting. The Members would like to receive an update from McKinstry in February on the MN Guarantee Energy Savings Plan

There being no further business on the Commission Agenda, Chair Sierks declared the meeting adjourned at 8:51p.m.

Motion made by Member Latham and seconded by Member Kostuch to adjourn meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Foster GIS Administrator